





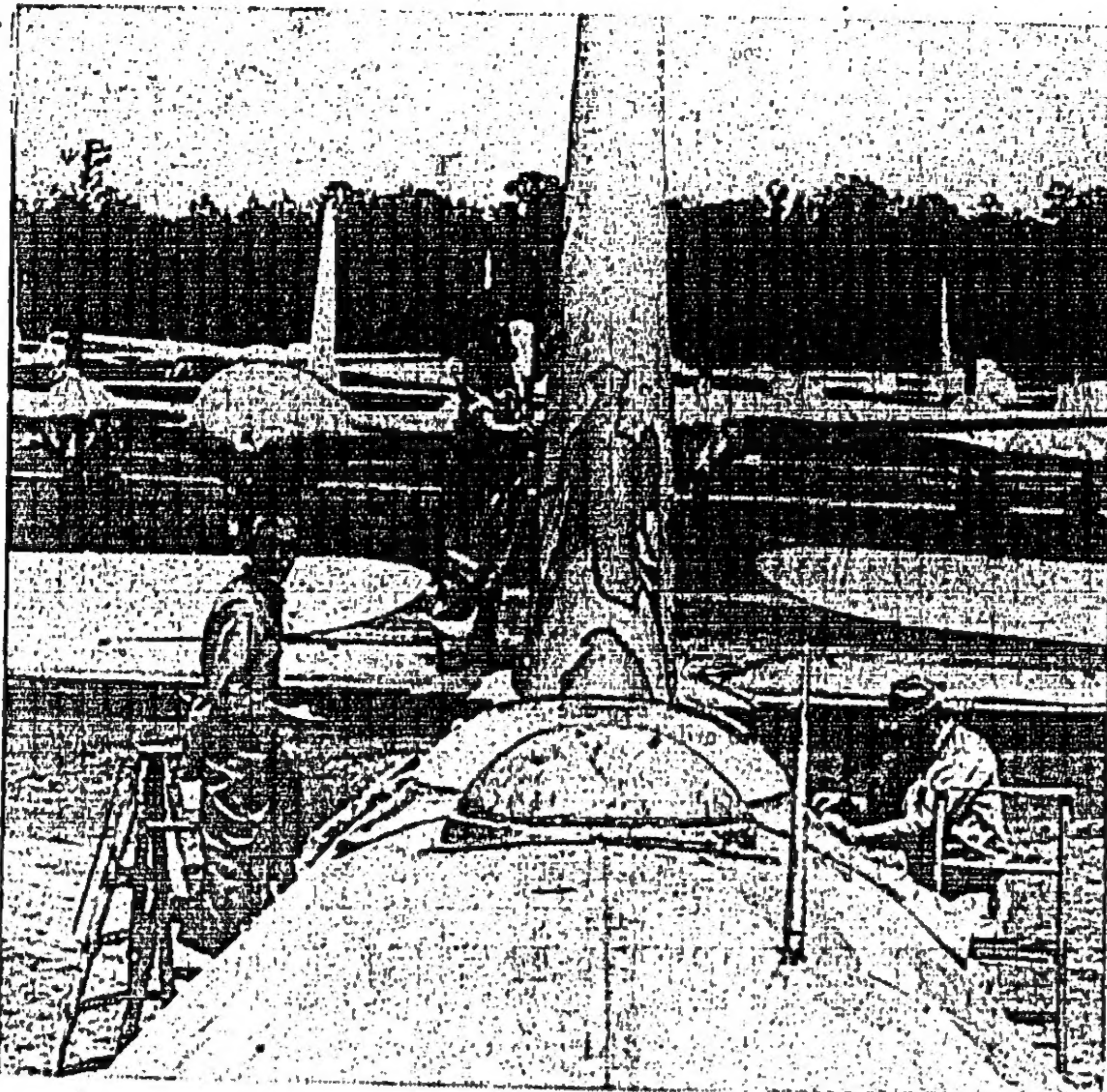




# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



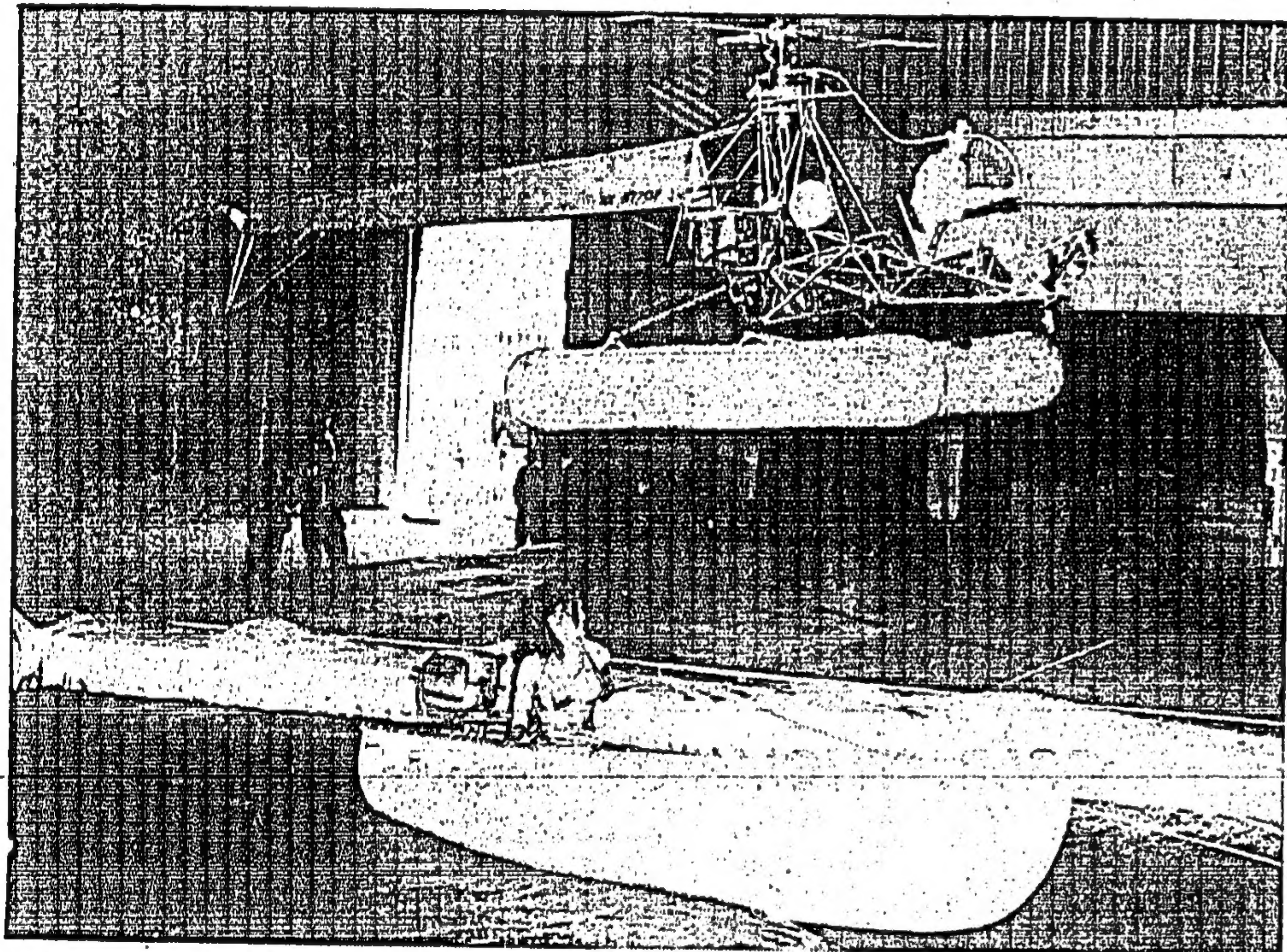
**SEEING NEW YORK**—Martine Carroll, French actress who recently arrived in the United States, visits a New York night club with circus official John Ringling North. He and the blonde Parisienne are reportedly engaged.



**SUPERFORTS IN THEIR COCOONS**—In 1946 the U.S. Air Force was busily engaged in finding a method of storing B-29 Superforts so they would not deteriorate. An experiment was made by covering them with vinylite plastic. Here the original model is being de-cocooned and the aircraft will be put into flying condition to study the "bugs" that might have developed.



**ILLEGAL GOODS**—A surprise raid recently on the small Korean community in Kamata, Japan, near Tokyo, yielded a large haul of illegal sake, rice and tyres. Approximately 100 uniformed and plain-clothes policemen rounded up 14 men and women who were illegally making unrefined sake. Ten trucks were needed to haul the confiscated goods away.



**INSIDE JOB**—Here's a new wrinkle for the great outdoors—displayed indoors—at San Francisco's Sports, Travel and Boat Show. While Jerry Kinney fishes old style from a boat in the casting tank, above her hovers the fisherman of tomorrow. Pilot Jay Demming manoeuvres his helicopter over the water to play out his line, then will fly to the water to net his catch.



**ON GUARD**—A Circassian guard, wearing a uniform reminiscent of those of the Russian Cossacks, seen on duty outside the palace of King Abdullah of Trans-Jordan. The palace is on a hill overlooking Amman.



**SAY SOMETHING**—Model Christine Germano looks straight into the eye of the macaw perched on her shoulder. Picture was made on a visit to the Parrot Jungle, a hangout for local macaws in Miami. The birds are well trained and are quite friendly.

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**DOG TO DOG**—The main feature of the 1948 Los Angeles Kennel Club's All-Breed Dog Show was the "Dog to Dog" presentation of the cups. The trained French Poodle, Scheherazade, right, trotted to the various winners with the cup in his mouth. At left, Pedro waits anxiously for his award.

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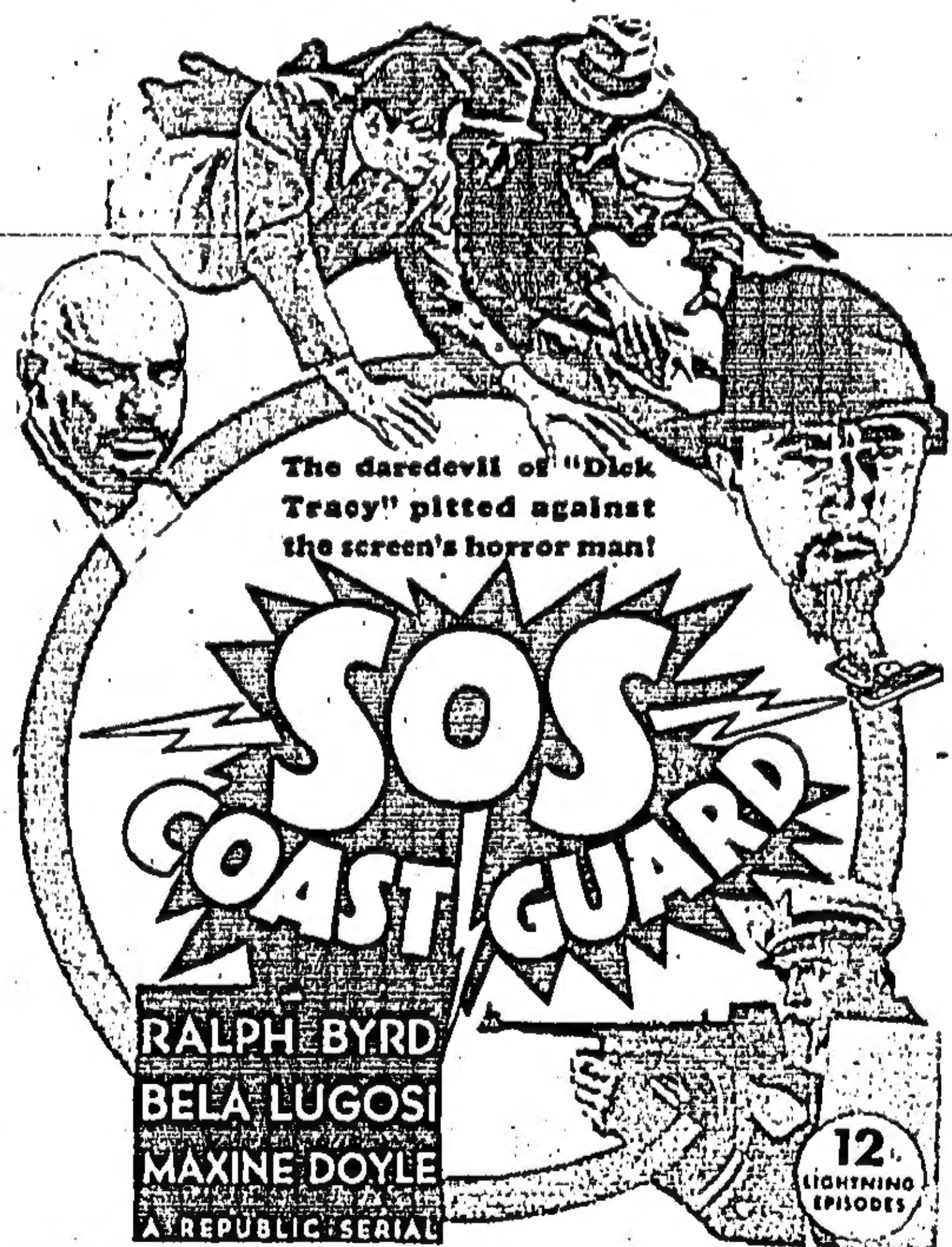
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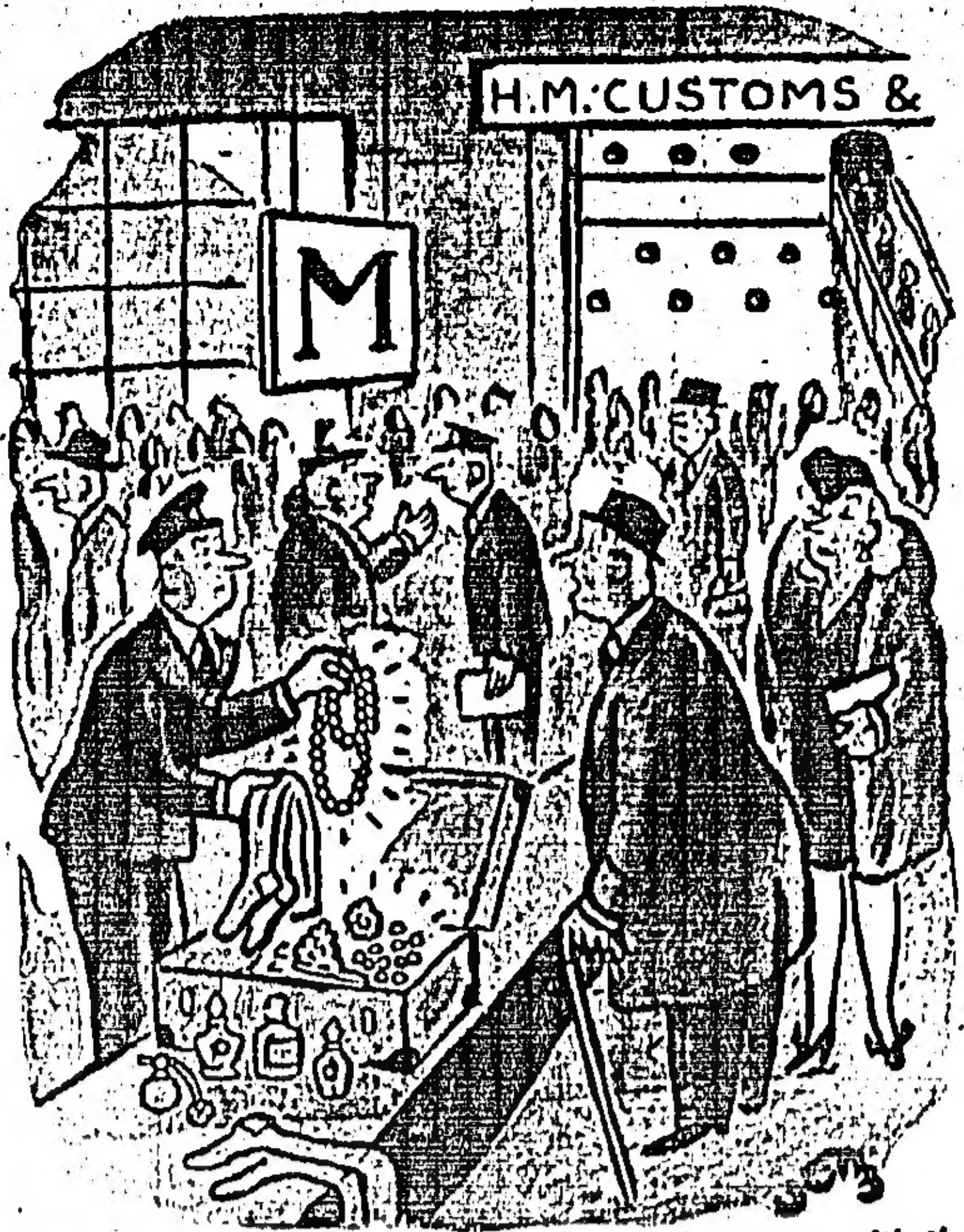


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## LI TSUNG-JEN DEMANDS GOVERNMENT REFORM

By A REUTER CORRESPONDENT

General Li Tsung-jen, the Kwangsi military leader who rode to success in the recent bitterly-contested Vice-presidential election on a platform emphasising political reforms and measures to speed up the end of the civil war, has become the new hope of China's war-weary millions for early peace.

Observers aver that if he is able to translate into action even only part of the programme which he placed before the nation during his election campaign, China should be well on the way to overcoming many of her present ills.

It is realised that he is only the Vice-President, and that as such he has clearly defined duties. Nevertheless, well-informed circles believe that his entire platform stands a good chance of being implemented if he can gain the full support of President Chiang Kai-shek, who was clothed with dictatorial powers by the recent National Assembly.

General Li himself is said to be fully aware of the tremendous force—public opinion—working in his favour, and is continuing to reiterate his demand for reforms.

"This is no time for us to conceal our disease and avoid the doctor," he said. "We must attack the disease whenever and wherever it is found with the strongest dose of medicine. The disease in our Government is—corruption—and bureaucracy, and what we need as medicine is thorough-going reform."

### FACTOR IN SUCCESS

"THE Communists are inferior to us both in equipment and strategy," he added. "We have nothing to fear, but our own weaknesses. Our victory in the anti-Communist campaign will be assured if our weaknesses are remedied."

General Li is known to hold the view that if the reforms he advocates are effected, they should automatically terminate corruption and correct present administrative deficiencies. This would, in turn, pave the way for international support in the fight against Communism and for the country's reconstruction.

The new Constitution, he recently told reporters, is a splendid charter, but in initiating its enforcement the human element is a factor in its success.

"That also is the key to the problem of political reform," he said.

General Li has expressed confidence that President Chiang has both the ability and support to make the necessary political changes, and has pledged to do everything within his power to assist the Chief Executive in this connection.

In addition to political reforms and measures to hasten the end of civil strife—around the conference table or on the battlefield—General Li's programme also calls for freedom of the press and steps to ease the difficulties and sufferings of China's farm population.

Hailing himself from a farmer family, he has never forgotten the hardships of China's hard-working but personally poor peasants, and has never ceased striving to better their lot since he became a power in the country.

General Li's success at the Vice-presidential election has been compared to his military achievement in the Battle of Tachewang in the early part of the Sino-Japanese war. Early in 1935, when Japan's military machine crashed through southern

which easily wins friends and loyalty from his men and to the help of Madame Li, who understands him and his work.

General Li, although coming from China's southwest is very popular in the north, where he has been the Director of the President's Headquarters.

He has many close friends among cultural and educational circles, including Dr Hu Shih, China's eminent scholar-diplomat.



Vice-President Li Tsung-jen (in uniform) receives credentials of office from Archbishop Paul Yip, acting on behalf of the President of the National Assembly, Mrs Li looks on. (Photo: CGIO-Frank Lin).

Shantung after the fall of Nanking, General Li, as Commander-in-Chief of the Fifth War Area, routed two crack Japanese divisions to clear up China's first major success of the war after a year of almost uninterrupted reverses.

That victory, which acted as a "shot in the arm" to the nation, came to General Li the nickname of "Chiang Kai-shek's China's legendary giant whose presence scared away all ghosts and devils."

General Li's popularity dates back to his administration of Kwangsi Province. In 1929, China was loosely united under one flag. Together with General Pai Chung-hsi, his lifelong friend and associate, and now Minister of National Defence, General Li devoted himself to the modernisation of the province, introduced local autonomy, enforced a system of elementary education, built miles of highways, and organised the people into militia groups.

### MODEL PROVINCE

In less than three years, Kwangsi became generally known as the "model" province, and when the time came to contribute to the war effort against the Japanese invaders in 1937 the province sent thousands of well-trained troops to defend the country.

Born in Kwangsi in 1890, General Li, although a seasoned warrior, looks scholarly and polished. Of medium height, he always appears well dressed in his uniform, and despite his 57 years he still radiates energy and youth and has a warm smile for the people he meets.

Many of General Li's friends attribute his success to his affability,

## My Reply To The Stern Gang

By Captain Roy Farran, D.S.O., M.C.

I INTENTIONALLY delayed writing this reply until my mind had time to recover from the blind fury, the bitter hatred, and the extreme misery into which you had plunged it.

I believe that you murdered my brother, Rex, in mistake for me, although I know that you would not have grieved unduly if the haphazard method of your crime had caused the death of somebody totally unconnected with Palestine.

You say that your campaign of assassination is against the British Occupation of Palestine, although you have heard it repeatedly declared that British troops will be withdrawn on May 15 or at latest by August.

Did my brother's death really advance your cause by so much as an inch?

I must tell you about my brother so that you may gloat over the enormity of your crime.

He was a very kind, gentle, good-natured young man who never expected to reach the headlines. The children in the Staffordshire village in which he lived knew him as "the man with the smile." And he still smiled even after you had blown his stomach away.

You see, Rex did not fight against the persecutors of Jewry during the war. He just helped to design airplanes.

And he laughed. He laughed because he thought it ironic that he should have stopped a bomb on my behalf.

Most people would have died immediately after such a grievous wound as his—three arteries severed, and no stomach or hands—but Rex lived for two hours and spoke completely coherently until he finally went to sleep.

I am sure he was happy when he died in spite of his pain.

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AMONG other things he said to my brother: "I want to revenge. Nothing like that. And that goes for Ray too."

Can you understand the mentality of a person like that? You, with your twisted brains, your warped, scheming, anarchy, your murderous destructiveness, and your jungle laws. Can you understand the reasoning of a Christian?

I have often read that your intention in Palestine is to bring civilisation to the uncultured Arab.

If the chronicle of murder since the death of Lord Moyne is your way, you must be a band of maniacs. Pioneers usually begin by building, not by destroying.

Perhaps you read the Daily Worker review of my book in which it was stated that I was a reactionary and a Fascist. Perhaps that article gave more fuel to your flames.

Let me remind you that the mills of God grind slow, but exceeding small.

There will be no revenge, but one day you will be judged by a Per-

son who has seen it all. His vision will not be distorted by your blind fanaticism.

Perhaps He will show you the face of my mother when He calls you to account. A dear, grief-stricken face, trying hard to be brave.

Or perhaps He will show you a picture of my mother stroking Rex's brow in hospital as he died, softly crooning "The Kerry Dancers."

Rex is smiling through his pit-marks, and tears are trickling down her face as she sings.

And then, looking at the balance-sheet, He will say, "And what did you gain by it all?"

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AND now I must refer to Alexander Rutwicz, the member of your gang who has never returned. I can only say how sorry I am for his mother if he has indeed disappeared.

I am also terribly sorry for the relatives of the five soldiers you murdered in Haifa before my surrender.

What misery has been attached to my name? What suffering has been caused since I first became connected with Palestine?

There will be no revenge, for "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth" is your creed, not ours. But please do not twist this in your cankered minds to the belief that we are frightened.

"Am I brave enough for a Farran?" my brother said. No, we are not afraid, and we still believe that your cause—it you have a cause—must be the cause of evil.

If it was the criticism of Communists and Zionists in my book which exasperated you, I offer no apologies, but would like to assure you that I do not hate you enough to spend hours cutting out the inside of a book to blow you to pieces.

If you still want to kill me, please enjoy yourselves.

It may employ hands which might otherwise be killing others, more innocent, but it will not further your cause by one iota.

And please tell your commander that it was not a very clever trick for an ex-schoolmaster.

He might at least have gone to the trouble to find out my proper address.

Or perhaps he wanted it to happen this way. A delightful touch, doctor. Much better to crucify the brother? And to post the parcel on May Day was almost too perfect.

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AGAIN I warn you, followers of Abraham Stern, that there will be a day of reckoning.

"For that which hath been is that which shall be; that which hath been done is that which shall be done; and there is no new thing under the sun."

Mary, Our Blessed Lady, will understand how my mother feels, and she will not forget.

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## C.V.R. THOMPSON reports the U.S. Scene

NEW YORK.

FOR the first time in many months there is suddenly more peace talk in America than war talk.

People are becoming pre-occupied with their own elections instead of with some European nations.

And now the reason they scramble over each other for a new car is not because they think car factories will soon be making tanks but because of the call of the road.

Shipping lines to the Mediterranean, panicky because of cancellations a few weeks back, report they have enough American bookings to fill their ships all October. All of which are definite signs that the dangerous mood of recent months is dissipating fast.

FRIENDS of President Truman report that his mood has changed, too. He has suddenly become convinced that peace can and will be maintained. And he is just as strongly convinced that he is the man to help maintain it.

According to intimates, this has caused an important change in him. He is no longer fretful and resentful that everyone is against him. Today he is a man with a mission. He says: "I cannot run away now. I must stay and see this through. So he will step aside for one and will fight stubbornly to the end to get back into the large White House he once thought he hated."

But his new determination did not stop his top brain-truster, Young Gael Sullivan, whose dissatisfaction with his boss's course was an open secret, resigned to take a \$12,500-a-year job with a chain of cinemas.

ACCUSTOMED to thinking of food in world-wide dimensions, Sir John Boyd-Orr, retiring head of the World Food Council, thought of food for himself and his friends. He brought aboard the ship for Britain two boxes of food containing fruit juices, pineapples, boned turkey, devilled ham and bacon.

WALL-STREET'S month - old strike has ended, but when the Exchange workers trooped back to work a hundred of them found no jobs. The brokers, who did their work during the strike, had introduced more efficient methods which made their employment unnecessary.

COLUMBIAN Walter Winchell, re-summing his wisecracks about Britain's poverty, expressed surprise that millionaire Bob Topping was taking his bride, Lana Turner, to London for their honeymoon. Winchell: "With his dough you'd think he'd have London come to him."

THE Prohibitionists have given up their shadow-play campaign for a return of Prohibition and have come out in the open. Demanded the Methodist's Bishop Oxnami: "As soon as possible, beverage alcohol should be out-lawed."

AMERICA'S No. 1 question, what to do about Communists, will reach its climax soon.

First, all would-be Presidents will contribute answers. For example, New York's Governor, Tom Dewey, is making a big speech about the question.

His line—keep the Communists in the open. And then anyone as adept as he is at catching gangsters will deal with them.

Congress is to speak, too. There is a four-to-one majority, Washington says, for the Bill to curb Communism, which will be debated.

Called by Congressman Parnell Thomas, the "acc witchhunter," a body blow at the American cadre of Communism, the Bill requires Communists to register with the Attorney-General's office; denies them passports; and makes it unlawful for anyone to join an un-registered Communist organization.

"We are willing to permit the theories of Communism and democracy to clash in the open marketplace of political ideas. But we insist that Communism must not be allowed secrecy, fraud, and the help of a foreign Communist dictatorship."

POLITICS: Senator Robert Taft, Republican (Tory) candidate for President, has hired a "ghost" writer to turn out his speeches. He is Walter Trohan, Washington correspondent of the Britain-baiting isolationist Chicago Tribune.

## NANCY

The Feeling Is Mutual





## Eight Rent Summonses Dismissed

### Complainants Fail To Appear

Eight summonses against a young woman, Ho Mi-mi, of 3 Hankow Road, third floor, for overcharging rent and failing to issue rent receipts and notices, were dismissed by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon this morning upon the application of Mr. C. A. S. Russ for Ho.

The three complainants and Mr. M. A. da Silva (for complainant Chan Mee-chun) being absent, Mr. Russ said his instructions were to ask for a dismissal as hearing had been adjourned five or six times and each time, his client, who had obtained leave, had appeared with no result. Ho was thoroughly disgruntled about the whole proceedings, he added.

Mr. Russ said all the summonses were taken out in respect of a woman's quarrel and there had been hearings before a tenancy tribunal. It was all part of a campaign against Ho.

Mr. Silva's clerk informed the Magistrate that the solicitor was busy elsewhere and asked for another date to be fixed.

Mr. Russ replied that for himself, he was quite willing to adjourn, but a brother professional but his definite instructions from Ho were to apply for the summonses to be dismissed.

## Doctor Speaks On Behalf Of Defendant

Dr. D. W. C. Gawne gave evidence in favour of the accused at the Central this morning, when Cheung Ki, a car cleaner was charged with driving, without his permission, and driving without a licence.

On the morning of May 20 defendant was seen driving car No. 1319 from the Statue square opposite the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to the Hongkong Club in Connaught Road. The car was followed, but he escaped, leaving behind a peak cap and a badge with Cheung Ki, watchman No. 8 inscribed thereon. Defendant later reported to the police that his cap had been stolen and was arrested.

Dr. Gawne stated that on the morning in question he was in a hurry and parked his car in the wrong place. He said that he felt defendant was trying to save him by parking his car somewhere else. The key was returned to him and he was told where the car was parked. Defendant admitted driving the first car and fined \$50 but was acquitted on the second as he had a learner's licence.

## Impersonated A Policeman

Hui Wing Kai was charged before Mr. Hui Shing-to at Central this morning with unlawfully impersonating a police officer and demanding money with menaces.

Defendant was stated to have seen Siu Wah, the complainant, hawking cigarettes without a licence on May 15 at Morrison Road, and, purporting to be a police officer, threatened to take him to the I & E Dept. On the way he suggested that if given ten money he might be induced to drop the charge.

He was given \$5, but as he walked away complainant noticed that he had on a very dirty pair of trousers, and his suspicions were aroused. Defendant was arrested when he failed to produce his identification card when asked for it.

He was sentenced to six months on the first charge and nine months on the second, and recommended for banishment.

## COLONY'S NEW BREWERY

The inauguration of the San Miguel Brewery, formerly the Hongkong Brewery, was marked today with a reception at the Hongkong Hotel attended by hundreds of Hongkong's leading businessmen, and the Colonial Secretary, Hon. D. M. Macdougall, CMG.

Colonel Andrea Soriano, who has extensive business interests in the Far East and who heads the San Miguel Company, was present to welcome the guests who enthusiastically toasted the success of the new brewery.

It was revealed that first stocks of freshly bottled San Miguel beer will come on to the local and the export markets immediately.

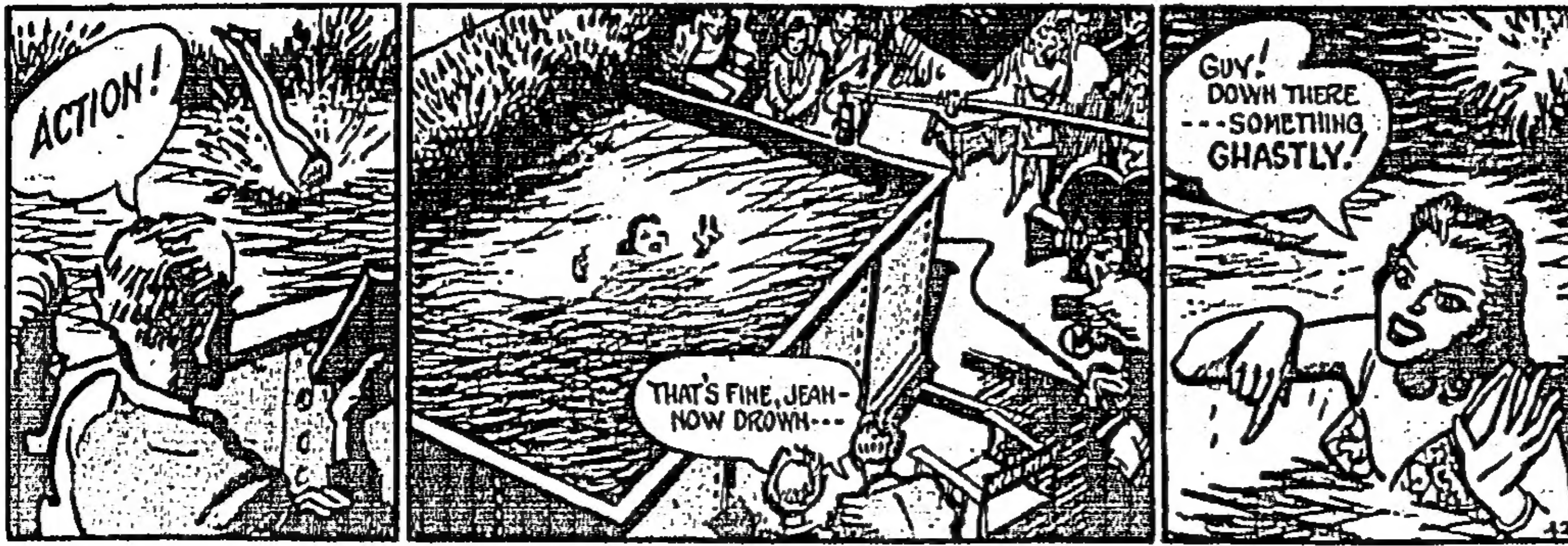
## JOCKEY LEAVES HOSPITAL

Mr. H. Maitland, the well known Shanghai jockey, was yesterday discharged from the French Hospital where he has been, since being thrown from his mount, Jeep Lee, in the opening race last Monday.

He suffered a gash in the left leg which necessitated six stitches, and received other abrasions on the left side of the body.

## PAULA BY DENNIS WHEATLEY

Mystery lies deep in the murky water of the studio tank.



## Customer Is Not Always Right

Here is a case that will dispell the popular conviction that a "customer is always right!"

Lam Put went with his friends to the Sheung Kai Tea House at 208, Shanghai Street yesterday to have a snack. He placed an order with the waiter. Ho Shu, for some buns. When the edibles arrived he complained they were not the type he had asked for and refused to accept them.

The waiter quarrelled with him and the two left the shop outside the tea house. Ho Shu, the waiter, hit Lam on the head with his clog, causing an abrasion to his forehead just above the right eye. A constable arrived at the scene and took the party to the station.

Charged with assault before Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Court today, Ho Shu admitted the offence, but counter-accused the customer of intending to assault him with his friends.

Ho was ordered to pay \$25 compensation to Lam and was also bound over in \$100 to be of good behaviour for 12 months.

## BOISTEROUS CELEBRANTS

A sequel to yesterday's celebrations of the inauguration of President Chiang Kai-shek, was the arrest of three men who appeared before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon this morning.

Kan Kai-chit, 21, fish-dealer, was cautioned for throwing a packet of fireworks at a passer-by in Chinham Road, while a line of \$50 or three weeks was imposed on Mok Keng-po, 22, seaman, and six strokes were given Chan Fu, 17, for throwing stones at a crowd watching the celebrations.

Asking for a serious view to be taken in the case of Mok and Chan, Sub-Inspector Howarth said they were part of a gang who stood on the railway track stoning pedestrians and vehicles passing along Peace Avenue. There were large crowds watching fireworks display at Macpherson ground and the missiles might have caused serious injuries.

## Canton May Be DDT-Sprayed

Canton, May 21.—Canton may this summer be DDT-sprayed from the air as it was done early in 1946 when Hongkong personnel and aircraft helped to fight the then serious cholera and malaria epidemic here.

The DDT solution necessary for the spraying is available, but aircraft for the task are lacking. An official of the Public Health Bureau is quoted by the press as saying that the Municipal authorities have asked Nanjing to send a plane here for the task.

The 1946 spraying lasted for three days, with special tests each day to check the effectiveness of the experiment. If spraying is undertaken this summer, a similar procedure may be followed.—Reuter.

## Six Months For Snatching Watch

Six months and 10 strokes were ordered on Lam Ki by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Court today as punishment for snatching a wrist watch from a Chinese woman in Jordan Road yesterday.

After snatching the watch, Lam attempted to escape but he was chased by a passer-by and eventually arrested by a district watchman when he tried to run up a stairway.

## Union Insurance Of Canton Has Record-Breaking Year

### PREMIUM INCOME EXCEEDS £4,000,000

At the Annual Meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd held at Union Building this morning the Chairman announced that the combined premium income in all departments exceeded £4,000,000, which constituted a record.

He said that the Board's decision in 1940 to move the Head Office to Australia had been justified beyond question by events.

The Hon. N. O. C. Marsh, Chairman, said:

Before I deal with the business of this meeting I would like to draw to your attention that this is a special occasion in the Society's history in that it is the first Annual General Meeting to be held in Hongkong since 1940.

It was towards the end of that year that your Board decided that the Head & Registered Offices should be moved to Australia. I do not propose to enlarge upon that decision beyond saying that it was justified beyond question by events.

Following that move our Managerial Control was operating in an entirely new environment. The fact that difficulties encountered were easily disposed of was due to the friendly co-operation and assistance always readily forthcoming from Federal and State Governmental Departments, Officials and others with whom we came into contact.

Our grateful thanks to these Official bodies and individuals have been expressed both by the Chairman of the Board in Australia last year and by me on behalf of the Society in my Statement which accompanies the Report & Accounts in your hands.

ABLE COUNSEL AND ADVICE  
Our remaining duty is to record our very sincere thanks to those gentlemen who accepted the office and responsibility of Directors while we were domiciled in Australia. To their able counsel and advice we are very greatly indebted.

We also owe much to our own Managers and Staff in Australia, whose co-operation smoothed many difficulties.

During our stay in Australia many new friendships were formed and I have no hesitation in saying that we have benefited materially therefrom.

The move back was finally completed in July last year when our Head Office has been in full operation in Hongkong, the seat of our Incorporation.

I would also like to mention that your General Manager is at present away from the Colony renewing contacts with our Managers and friends in the United States, Canada, and elsewhere to whom visits during the war years were not possible. We miss him at this meeting.

Turning now to the Accounts. The Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet for 1947 were issued on May 12, and you will have had time to examine the figures. I propose with your agreement to follow the usual custom and take these as read.

### SALIENT POINTS

Accompanying the printed Accounts is my Statement upon the Society's affairs. This reviews briefly matters having special interest to the members and I propose now to refer to some of the salient points in the Accounts.

The combined Premium Income in all Departments exceeded £4,000,000 which constitutes a record and while the largest increase took place in the Marine section, nevertheless all Departments contributed to this high figure.

While there is little doubt that all round higher insured values were chiefly responsible for this increased income, the development of business in our reopened Far Eastern Branches and from other new sources also contributed substantially.

The Marine Account shows Premium Income of £2,399,000 as compared with £1,448,000 the previous year and while the percentage of paid Losses was also higher it must be remembered that these earnings of 1947 and previous years and will therefore include such outstanding War Losses incurred prior to 1947 as have been disposed of during the year under review. Management expenses show a reduced percentage.

From this Account these earnings of £1,000,000 and £200,000 have been transferred to Taxation Reserve and Profit and Loss Account respectively. In connection with the transfer to Taxation Reserve you will appreciate that it is necessary for us to maintain our provision for Taxation at an adequate figure. Our business

is widely spread and wherever we make a profit we are called upon to contribute substantially to the well-being of the country in which we make it.

### FIRE PREMIUM INCOME

The Fire Premium Income shows a further considerable increase over the previous year and in this Department we have every reason to consider the Underwriting Profit satisfactory.

The continued high loss ratio in the United States is a matter of concern to all Underwriters and results on the Continent of Europe have been disappointing. In addition to this, last year was notable for disasters of magnitude from which no company operating on a world-wide basis could well escape being interested. I would remind you particularly of the Texas disaster which you will not doubt recall. This tragic happening took place in April and was the most costly to Life and Property of all the fire disasters which occurred in 1947.

Furthermore, we were affected by political factors. I refer to the disturbances in India following the setting up of the Independent Dominions of India and Pakistan. All known losses arising out of the foregoing and other occurrences have been paid or fully reserved for and says much for the quality of the business and the soundness of the larger Reserve called for by the larger Premium Income, the Account shows an Underwriting Profit.

The Accident and General Account shows an Increased Premium Income and a particularly satisfactory result. Underwriting Profit being over 90, which is more than double that of the preceding year.

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

In the Profit & Loss Account you will observe that Interest on total £171,000 amounting amounts received in 1947 on account of previous years which are non-recurring. This shows an increase over the relative figure last year of some £17,000 and is due to interest received on the assets recovered in reoccupied territories during 1946 and 1947.

On the expenditure side you will notice an item Staff Pension Fund £25,000. This represents a transfer to a fund opened in 1944 to meet pensions authorised in cases not entirely covered by the Staff Provident Fund. Prior to that date the resultant liability had been paid from current income but it was considered preferable to establish a fund from which future Pension Payments should be made. The present transfer merely replenishes the fund and does not reflect any change in policy towards the Staff.

Turning now to the Consolidated Balance Sheet which reflects the financial position of the Society and its affiliated companies, you will see that the totals now amount to over £3,000,000. This represents a substantial increase over the previous year and is due not only to the natural increase following a greatly increased volume of business but also to the recovery of further Assets in reoccupied territories for which it has been possible to establish values.

### SHARES CALL-IN

Before closing I will refer briefly to a matter which you will be called upon to consider and, if thought fit, implement at an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held immediately following the close of this meeting, and that is the paying up of the remainder of the unpaid balance on our issued shares.

The Issued Share Capital will, if the Board's proposals are approved, appear in the next published Accounts at a figure of £1,350,000 which in our view is more in keeping with the importance of the undertaking on which we are engaged. I would also like to refer once again to the work of the Staff generally throughout our organization. I have already tendered them our thanks in my statement published with the Accounts, nevertheless I know you will agree that they well deserve our thanks and I would

add that the high standard of efficiency and loyal co-operation shown is particularly encouraging to your Board and to the Management of the Society.

### GRATEFUL SHAREHOLDERS

The adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts was seconded by Mr. J. D. Danby, who said:

Having been a shareholder in the Society for a great many years I am glad to have this opportunity of welcoming its Head Office back to the Colony.

I am quite sure that no one can doubt the wisdom of its move to Australia during the war years and as an ex-internee I should be lacking in the ordinary feelings of an ordinary shareholder if I did not express on behalf of all shareholders who were internees or prisoners of war the great encouragement it was to us to know that the Society had maintained the continuity of its dividends during the whole period and consequently, in their individual cases, there was an accumulated sum waiting for them to collect.

Our Chairman has given us a picture of the year's operations, and I should like to congratulate all those concerned on the growth and progress reflected in the Accounts before us.

I do not propose to comment on the results; they have already been adequately catalogued upon, but I would like to say that it is very gratifying to know that our reopened Far Eastern Branches are writing a substantial and increasing volume of business, particularly so as we all appreciate the unusual conditions which have to be faced in this uneasy and changing world.

### CONGRATULATIONS

I think I am expressing the feelings of all shareholders when I offer my congratulations to the Board, the Management and the Staff.

With regard to the proposed increase in paid up Capital which is shortly to be dealt with, I believe the policy of our Board is one which should receive the support of all shareholders.

I now have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented and that the Directors' recommendations in the Report be confirmed.

That Mr. J. F. Macgregor and Mr. M. H. Turner be re-elected Directors was proposed by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. C. Maclean.

On the proposal of Mr. N. C. Macgregor, seconded by Mr. C. C. Blinks, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Pent, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. were re-elected auditors.

### SWINDLED A WOMAN

A case of "swindle from the word go" was brought before Mr. Latimer at Kowloon today and the swindler, Cheng Siu-ki, was given four months without the option of a fine for swindling on the Yau-mat Ferry Company Man To.

According to Inspector Orem, a Chinese woman was crossing the harbour from Hongkong to Sham-shu-po yesterday. After she had comfortably settled down in the third class, Cheng Siu-ki set up a game of "red and green" on the deck just before her and induced her to try her luck. She refused at first because she said she had no money. Cheng saw the gold ring on her finger and tempted her to chance her luck with it as stake. "She did and she naturally lost," said Inspector Orem.

On arrival at Kowloon, she pointed Cheng out to a constable and had him arrested.

## Fire Engine In Accident

Whilst turning from Nathan Road into Ningpo Street, opposite the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, about 1.35 p.m. today, a fire engine mounted the pavement and crashed into a wall.

One fireman bumped against the windshield as the result of the impact and suffered a cut above his right eye. No others were hurt, but the right front fender of the engine was badly buckled.

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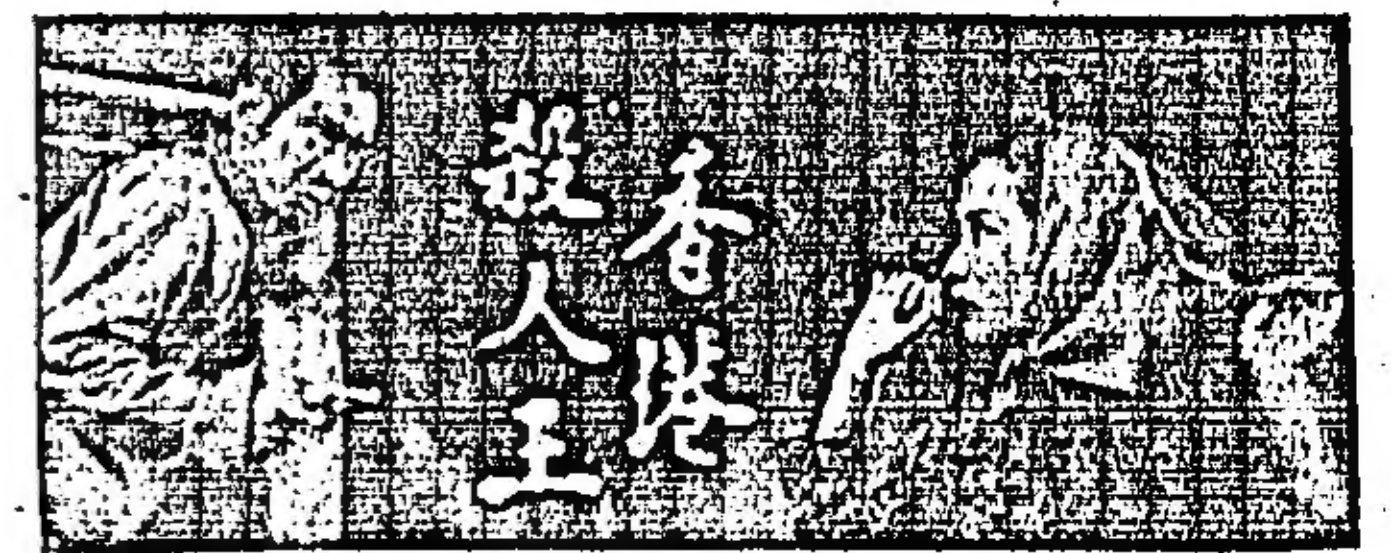


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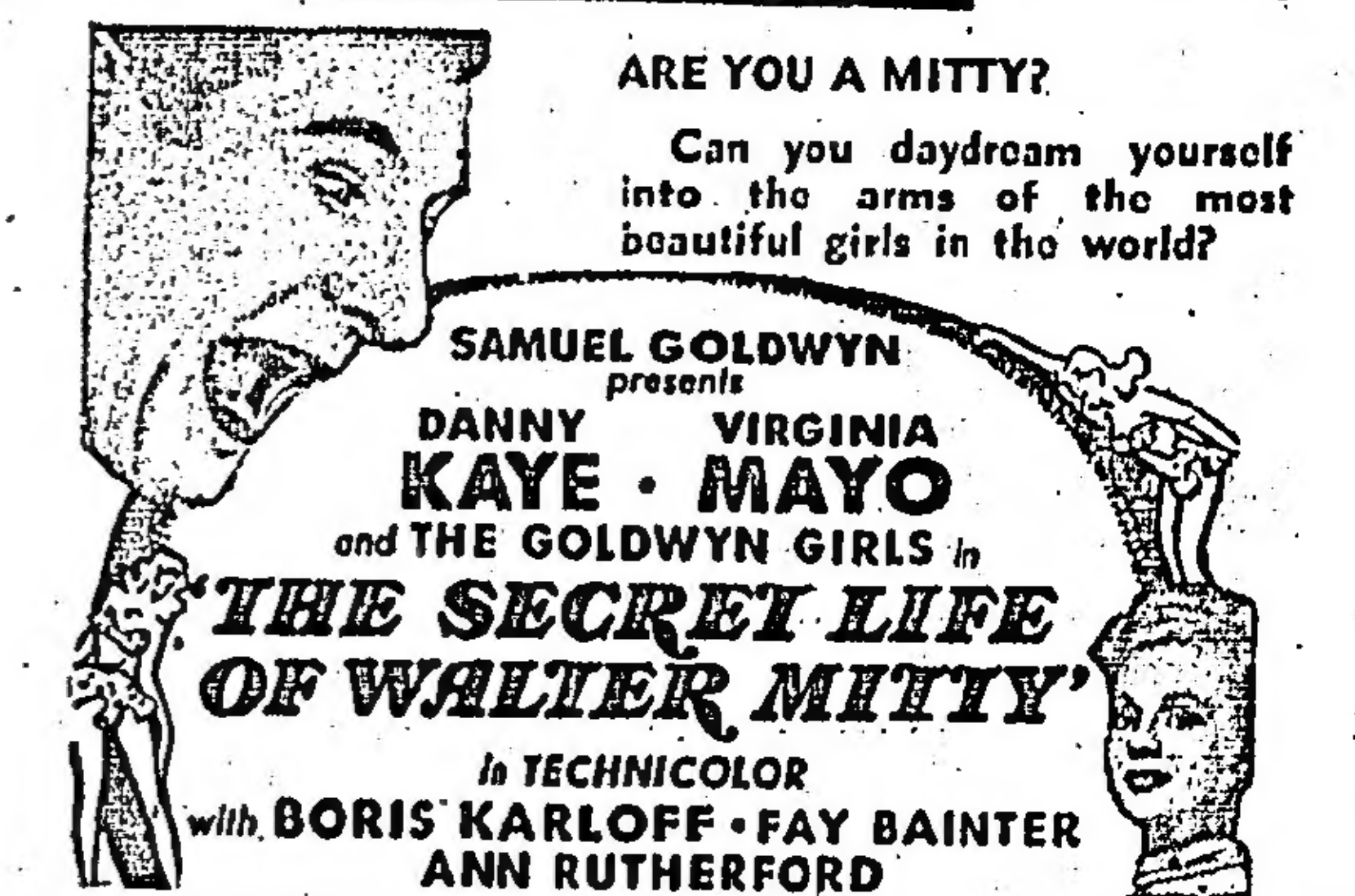


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## Red Minister Censured

Helsinki, May 20.—Faced with another Cabinet crisis today, the Finnish Parliament in a late night session, passed a resolution offered by the Conservative Party for censure of the Communist Minister of Interior, Iljo Leino, 61 to 61.

Leino was criticized for allowing the extradition of 21 persons to the Soviet Union and for police treatment of arrested Finnish officers.

Politicians here believed that Leino would have to resign. They said the ministers of the People's Democratic Party would have to go out with him.

The move probably would have wide repercussions in view of the approaching July election.—Associated Press.

For keeping a brothel at 17, Temple Street, first floor, Wong Chai, 55, a widow, was fined \$250 or two months by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Court today. The den was raided by Inspector Collins early this morning.

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## COUNTY CRICKET

## TOM GODDARD IN GREAT FORM AGAINST SUSSEX

London, May 20.—Tom Goddard, Gloucestershire's right arm spin bowler, showed last summer's devastating form against Sussex on the much discussed Bristol wicket today, taking three wickets for 24 during the day to bring his analysis for the first innings to five for 40.

It was mainly by his efforts that Gloucester gained a first innings' lead, and he had early success when Sussex went in again after dismissing Gloucester for 225.

With Norman Yardley, probable England captain, out for a duck in his first county innings of the season, and other batsmen failing, half the Yorkshire side were out for 89 in their first innings against Warwickshire. A determined stand between Watson, who made 59 not out in two and three-quarter hours, and Coxon, 24, however, paved the way for them to take first innings' lead.

After Leicestershire, fighting back against a big Surrey total, had started disastrously with Alec Bedser claiming two of their wickets for no runs in his first eight balls, they were splendidly served by Tompkins, who in scoring 152 made his first century of the season. In spite of this, however, they had to follow on.

Middlesex almost forced an innings' win against Somerset, who followed on 284 behind, but the tail enders held out, in spite of the extra half hour, and Somerset finished the day 13 runs ahead with one wicket in hand.

## THE SCORES

The close of play scores were: At Cambridge: Northamptonshire 383 for 9 declared (Broderick 55); Cambridge University 318 for 5 (Duggan 115, Insole 72 not out). At Manchester: Lancashire 493 and 109 for 3 (Davies 99 not out); Lancashire 231 (Roberts 51, Jkin 97).

At Lords: Middlesex 470 for 2; Somerset 104 (Mitchell-Innes 65, Gray 4 for 27) and 207 for 9 (Illin 69, Buse 59).

At Southend: Nottinghamshire 371 and 167 for 5; Essex 201 (Avery 77, Jepson 6 for 59).

At Birmingham: Warwickshire 194 and 212 for 3 (Taylor 31 not out); Yorkshire 210 (Watson 59 not out, Hollier 56 for 64).

At Bristol: Gloucestershire 224 and 225 (Wilson 52); Sussex 153 (Goddard 5 for 40 and 105 for 3).

At Portsmouth: Derbyshire 443 for 6 declared and 17 for no wicket; Hampshire 312 (Dawson 110, McCorkell 73).

At Worcester: Worcestershire 247 and 120 for no wicket (Whiting 65 not out); RAE, 272 (Roberts 59, Lumsden 71, Jenkins 7 for 84).—Reuter.

## AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TOUR

## Oxford Need 192 To Save Innings Defeat

Oxford, May 20.—The Australian touring cricketers were well on the road to another victory today when at Oxford they forced the University to follow on and at the close of play Oxford still needed 192 runs to save the innings' defeat, with only six wickets to fall.

Replying to Australia's first innings of 431, Oxford were all out for 185 and had lost four second innings' wickets for 54 when stumps were drawn on the second day.

Kneighley and Kardar engaged in a partnership of 75 before Rink went on with the total at 94 and his first ball dismissed Kneighley, who lifted a drive to extra cover.

Van Ryneveld, the South African, opened shakily, but soon settled down. The Australians made Kardar

## THE SCOREBOARD

Australians, 1st Innings 431.				
Oxford, 1st Innings 185.				
Relighley, c Loxton, b Rink	36			
Stone, c Harvey, b Loxton	7			
Webb, c Suggers, b Johnston	1			
Pawson, b Johnson	0			
Kardar, c Hamence, b McCool	54			
Van Ryneveld, run out	32			
Travers, c Meccool, b Toshack	6			
Whitcombe, run out	20			
Mallett, b Toshack	0			
Robinson, c Hassett, b Toshack	3			
Davidson, not out	1			
Extras	19			
	185			

## BOWLING

	O	M	R	W
Johnston	21	0	40	2
Loxton	5	1	14	1
Rink	18	4	39	1
Toshack	22	4	34	3
McCool	9	1	39	1
Oxford 2nd Innings 54 for 4.				
Relighley, b Webb, c Meccool	13			
Stone, c Johnston, b Loxton	3			
Webb, c Brown, b Johnston	3			
Pawson, c Meccool, b Toshack	15			
Kardar, not out	1			
Van Ryneveld, not out	1			
Extras	3			
	54			

for 4 wickets.  
—Associated Press.

dar light for his 50th run, which he obtained with a push to mid-off. He appeared to lose patience just afterwards and, jumping out to drive, lifted a catch to extra cover, making half the side out for 120. Kardar batted ten minutes short of two hours.

Apart from Van Ryneveld, run out when 32, no other batsmen offered much opposition before Oxford had lost eight wickets for 107.

The University's tail did not save the debate and the side were all out for 185, which meant that they followed on with arrears of 246. They were soon in trouble again against the bowling of Johnston and McCool and lost their first three wickets for 33.

Johnston sold down a loose ball and when Pawson and Kardar were batting, there were seven fieldsmen within four yards of the bat. Both batsmen exercised great caution until Pawson turned a good length delivery into short leg's hands.

Kardar remained firm and will be there tomorrow morning when Oxford will still need 192 to save the innings' defeat.—Reuter.

## London Plans To Make Streets Gay

London in July and August is to be gay, with flags, bunting and floral decorations again. Nearly every borough in London is co-operating with the Organising Committee of the Olympic Games to ensure that, while tens of thousands of visitors are here from all parts of the world, London will be at its most colourful.

Flags are to fly from town halls and public buildings. Multi-coloured bunting and Olympic shields will hang from the walls. Banners will fly in the streets and big business firms will bring out their decorations.

## THE STATIONS, TOO

In many boroughs, local sporting associations are arranging for flower displays.

The most important London stations will be decorated with flags and Olympic shields. Westminster Council are to be asked to spend up to £700 to decorate the City of Westminster during the Games. They will discuss matter tomorrow.

Proposals include the erection of decorated masts in Piccadilly Circus and the flying of flags from public and other buildings. Kensington Council decided to decorate the Town Hall and other public buildings, and the main thoroughfares. Co-operation of the business firms is to be sought.

## THEY HAVE PROMISED

Said an Olympic Games official: "Kensington, Westminster City and many borough councils sent representatives to see us, and they have promised to put up the most colourful display in their power."

At Wembley Home Hill and Harringway, where some of the Olympic events will be held from July 29 to August 14, additional decorations will be provided by the Organising Committee.

## Craigengower Team

The following are to represent Craigengower Cricket in Lawn Bowls League matches on Saturday, May 22, at 4 p.m. First Division (away) against Indian Recreation Club:—

M. A. Baptista, A. A. Razack, K. M. Omar and U. M. Omar (skip); J. W. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); I. M. Omar, W. Hong Sling, A. M. Omar and J. S. Landolt (skip).

Second Division (at home) against Hongkong Electric Recreation Club:—  
Francis Lee, C. W. Lam, J. N. Wong and A. J. Coelho (skip); C. E. Coelho, H. W. Randall, E. Franks and S. H. Marvin (skip); J. H. Xavier, G. Souza, A. H. Rum-John and M. J. Medina (skip).  
Reserves: Li Shu Wing, A. F. Ferreira and B. S. Chowla.

## Sturgess Favoured

London, May 21.—With the lawn tennis season under way, British enthusiasts are speculating as to who will be the next Wimbledon champion now that Jack Kramer, the American holder, has turned professional.

It is very hard to pick the new champion with so many excellent players likely to compete, but many consider the chances of Eric Sturgess, the South African champion, to be very bright.

Sturgess has developed a new style of game and since arriving in England this season has shown he still has all the strokes, has speeded up his game a great deal and is more aggressive. He comes to the net more frequently and his volleying, which was one of his weak spots last season, has improved out of all recognition.

Sturgess has not dropped a set here this season and has certainly made light of all opposition. The British Hard Courts championship attracted a strong entry, including a number of foreign players, but Sturgess was never extended in winning three titles for the second year in succession.

Sturgess himself thinks his new style of game will be even better on grass courts than on hard, but the question is whether his speed of game will match that of the Americans Frankie Parker, Gardner Mulley, Bob Falkenberg, Tom Brown and Budgie Patty, who are likely to compete at Wimbledon.

This year Sturgess is likely to be high among the "seeded" players at Wimbledon. It was widely felt that Sturgess should have been among the "seeded" players last year, but instead he found himself opposed to Tom Brown in the first round and went out only after a great five sets fight, while Brown went on to reach the final.

If Sturgess wins at Wimbledon, he will make championship history. Last year he won the All-England plate, the consolation tournament for players eliminated in the first two rounds of the championship. The plate and title have never been won in successive years.—Reuter.

## Czechs To Play Italy At Rugby

Prague, May 20.—The Czechoslovak rugby team left by train today for Italy where they will play the Italian National team at Parma on May 23.

The 18-man team is managed by R. Olbanský, President of the Czechoslovak Rugby Federation.—Associated Press.

## SERVICES BOXING

## Army Comes Through ABA Finals With Two Titles

(By ARCHIE QUICK)

Although Army finished the Amateur Boxing Association annual championships at Wembley in a blaze of glory by capturing the Cruiser and Heavyweight titles through Corporal Don Scott, RCMP, and Sergeant Johnnie Gardner, Grenadier Guards, these successes did not fully compensate for the unaccountable failure of CSMI Johnnie Ryan.

King of European welters with only one defeat in Chicago against him since 1945 when he lost to the amateur Randolph Turpin, the Army, Interservices, ABA and European champion looked a certainty, but after an easy victory in the semi-final he was outpointed by Maximilian Baldwin Shacklady of Eccles, Lancashire in the final and so practically destroyed his chance of ending a wonderful career at the Olympic Games.

After he had been beaten he told me he ran into a heavy body punch in the second round and this obviously was the reason he covered up on the ropes for practically the whole of the third round and was punched at will.

He fought a completely wrong fight in mixing it with the uncomprehending Lanes man instead of standing off and using his long left.

## WORTHY CHAMPIONS

Scott and Gardner are worthy champions who will move on to the Olympic honours. Scott took part in the greatest fight of the ABA Championships when he outpointed Allsop of Birkenhead in the semi-final.

It was a toe-to-toe slam for three rounds and at the end both men were so tired they could only sit in their corners with heads bent while the result was being considered.

Allsop gave Scott no rest and continuously came forward until Scott was exhausted, hitting his castiron opponent on the head and body.

I thought Scott had taken too much out of himself but he won the

## THIS STARTED A FIGHT



George Vico of the Detroit Tigers is tagged out at home by Red Sox catcher Birdie Tebbetts in Boston after an attempted bunt and squeeze play by Tiger Pitcher Hal White (No. 17) in the fourth inning. Immediately after this both players started fighting and were banished from the game by Umpire Bill Summers (left).—AP Wirephoto.

## BASEBALL

## ST LOUIS SCORES ITS SIXTH STRAIGHT WIN

New York, May 20.—In the National League, the Cardinals, sparked by left fielder Stan Musial, who belted a homer, two doubles and a single, rolled to a 13-1 victory over Brooklyn to extend their winning streak to six straight. Cardinal catcher Del Rice drove in four runs with a pair of doubles.

With Elmer Riddle limiting the Boston Braves to four hits and the Pittsburgh Pirates pounding three Boston pitchers for 17 hits, including two doubles and a home run by left fielder Ralph Kiner, Pittsburgh trounced the Boston team 13-0.

The Chicago Cubs hammered three pitchers to win 5-3 over Philadelphia. Cub rookie shortstop Roy Smalley collected his first major league homer, a triple, and a double. The Cubs hit safely in every inning to hand Russ Meyer his fourth pitching victory.

Howie Fox limited the New York Giants to six hits in winning his first game of the year for Cincinnati, who took a 3-1 victory. Fox's fifth inning single started the Reds on a two-run rally that brought their lone victory in the three game series. The defeat left the second place Giants 2 1/2 games behind the pace setting Cardinals in League standings.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

In the American League, outfielder Joe DiMaggio blasted out two homers, a triple, a double and a single and drove in six runs to lead the New York Yankees to a 13-2 triumph over last-placed Chicago.

Right fielder Johnny Lindell also homered for the Yanks. Right fielder Taft Wright homered for the White Sox.

Detroit defeated Philadelphia 4-2 with 15 hits, including a homer by catcher Bob Swift. Centrefielder Sam Chapman homered for both the Athletic runs.

## THE SCORES

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York Yankees 13-2-0  
Chicago 2-7-1  
(Winning pitcher Vic Raschi)  
Philadelphia 4-2-0  
Detroit 2-5-1  
(Winning pitcher Freddie Hutchinson)

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

Saint Louis 13-1-0  
Brooklyn 2-7-1  
(Winning pitcher Howie Pollet)  
Pittsburgh 13-17-0  
Boston 0-4-1  
(Winning pitcher Elmer Riddle)  
Chicago 3-14-0  
Philadelphia 3-11-0  
(Winning pitcher Russ Meyer)  
Cincinnati 3-8-1  
New York 1-0-1  
(Winning pitcher Howie Fox)  
—Associated Press.

## TENNIS

## Paris Tourney

## Scores

Paris, May 20.—Eric Sturgess, the South African champion, defeated Narendra Nath, of India, in the first round of the men's singles of the French tennis championships today.

Sturgess won 6-4, 6-3, 6-1. J. Drobny (Czechoslovakia) passed into the second round by beating P. Lips (France) 6-1, 6-1.

Other results were: M. Savost (Spain) beat C. Bous-sus (France) 10-8, 6-2, 5-7, 9-7; R. Van Meergeren (Holland) beat P. Zhendero (France) 6-2, 4-6, 9-7, 6-0;

D. Desreumeau (France) beat Z. Katona (Hungary) 6-3, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; G. Cucull (Italy) beat W. Young (United States) 6-3, 6-3, 6-2;

F. Vrba (Czechoslovakia) beat J. Jernetti (France) 7-5, 6-2, 6-3.

Men's Doubles  
J. Peten and P. Washer beat Dilip Bose and Nath 7-5, 6-4, 5-7, 3-6, 6-2.—Reuter.

Paris, May 20.—Budgie Patty of Los Angeles, beat A. M. Borren of Holland, 6-1, 6-2 and 6-4 in the second round of the men's singles play today.—United Press.

AT BIRMINGHAM  
Birmingham, May 20.—E. J. Mandelbaum, Egypt, and Mrs Betty Hilton, British Internationalist, were beaten in the final of the mixed doubles of the Priory Lawn Tennis Tournament today by R. Madan of India, and Miss Jean Shertler, 6-7, 6-3, 6-2.

Previously, Mrs Hilton had won the women's singles and the women's doubles in partnership with Miss Joan Curry, who she defeated in the singles final.—Associated Press.

## COLONY CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

## BARNETT LEADS AT THE HALF-WAY STAGE

## Schure Upsets Sequeira

K. M. A. Barnett took a half-point lead at the half-way stage of the Colony Open Chess Championship final when the fifth round of the tournament started at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

Barnett drew with Ray Danenberg after 48 moves of a Reti-Zukertort Opening that saw Danenberg a pawn down at one stage.

The upset of the evening came after an hour's play when F. X. Sequeira came across Schure at his devastating best in a Centre Gambit.

Schure kept the tempo throughout the 23 moves of the game and opened up an attack against a castled position with a sacrifice of a bishop for pawn, forcing Sequeira's resignation in a hopeless position.

The third game, between J. P. de Carvalho and P. K. Prokopov was adjourned after 31 moves with the latter in a slightly better position.

Carvalho was struggling with a doleful pawn against an Alekhine Defence, but the situation was not dissimilar to that which had prevailed in the Barnett-Danenberg game. The latter had also to defend two doubled and isolated pawns but pulled through to a draw.

Should Carvalho beat Prokopov, he will be level with Barnett at the top of the table with three other players a half-point behind in what has developed into the closest tournament for the Colony Championship in local chess history.

Standings after five rounds, with one game to be completed, are:

	P	W	D	L	Pts
K. M. A. Barnett	5	2	2	1	3
F. X. Sequeira	5	2	1	2 1/2	
L. Schure	5	2	1	2 1/2	
Ray Danenberg	5	1	3	1 1/2	
J. P. de Carvalho	4	1	2	1	2
P. K. Prokopov	4	1	2	1 1/2	

The Danenberg-Barnett game was one of the best of the tournament. Here is the game score:

Ray Danenberg (White)	K.M.A. Barnett (Black)
1. N-KB3	N-KB3
2. P-QB4	P-K3
3. P-Q4	P-Q4
4. P-K3	P-QB3
5. N-QB3	QN-Q2
6. Q-B2	Q-B3
7. N-K4	P-KP
8. N-P	N-N
9. Q-N3	N-B3
10. Q-B2	P-B4
11. B-K3	P-P
12. B-P	B-N5ch
13. B-B3	BxPch
14. PxP	Q-B2
15. B-Q3	P-KN3
16. Castles	P-K2
17. N-Q4	C-N5
18. P-KB3	KR-B1
19. P-QR4	Q-B4
20. K-R1	R-Q1
21. QR-Q1	QR-B1
22. R-Q2	P-KN3
23. KR-Q1	R-K1
24. R-K2	N-R4
25. Q-Q2	P-K4
26. N-N3	Q-B2
27. B-K4	B-R3
28. R-K3	BxP
29. Q-N2	R(K1)-Q1
30. R(Q1)-K1	N-B5
31. N-B1	Q-Q3
32. P-N3	N-R6
33. K-N2	R-K4
34. B-Q3	BxR
35. NxR	Q-Q2
36. Q-N3	Q-R6ch
37. K-N1	Q-B4
38. NxP	R-Q7
39. P-B4	Q-B7
40. QxQ	N-R6ch
41. R-B1	R-N6
42. R(K1)-K2	RxR
43. KxR	
Draw agreed.	

## GOLF

## British Amateur Entries

London, May 21.—Entries for the British Amateur Golf championship at Sandwich from May 24 to 29 number 170.

Seven Americans are to take part, including Willie Turnesa, holder, Dick Chapman, runner up last year, and Frank Stranahan.

J. B. Carr and Cecil Ewing head the Irish challenge, but James Bruen, winner in 1940, has not entered.

In view of the petrol restrictions, the number of entries is considered satisfactory.—Reuter.

## RAF GLIDING IN GERMANY

R.A.F. gliding clubs in Germany now have a total membership of over 600. There are nine clubs which are entirely self-supporting and depend on membership fees.

These are graduated according to rank—30s a month for officers, 17s. 6d. for senior NCOs and 7s 6d for Corporals and other ranks.

There is an initial entrance fee of 10s for all ranks, and a launching fee of 1s per flight to cover the running costs of launching winches and vehicles.

Membership is open to all the services and there are no restrictions as to rank or trade.

The clubs are affiliated to the Association of B.A.F.O. Gliding Clubs, under the Presidency of Air Marshal Sir Arthur Sanders, the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief.

Scharfendorfer, a typical club, has 17 gliders, ranging from primary trainers to a Weibe advanced sail-plane.

Since this club opened two years ago it has trained about 150 pilots. Last year its members flew 1,119 hours.

One of the members is the Chief of the Air Staff, Lord Tedder, who visited the club and paid his membership fee during a recent visit to Germany.

## Burnley Lose On Danish Tour

Copenhagen, May 20.—A Copenhagen selected team beat Burnley, the English League First Division club, by four goals to one here this evening.—Reuter.

## Pakistan Selects Its Olympic Team

By ERNEST C. MARTY

Karachi, Pakistan.—Pakistan's track and field athletes probably will not get even into the semi-finals of the World Olympic Games and the team is being sent to London largely to gain experience, according to Khwaja Saleem, member of the Pakistan Olympic Committee and former champion hurdler.

However, Saleem predicted that Pakistan would meet its sister Dominion in the field hockey finals.

"I think we shall beat everybody else, but the match with India will be a real tough fight," he said. "India has a fine defence, but our forward line is terrific."

Final selections for Pakistan's hockey team have not yet been made.

Saleem, who turned in a timing of 15.8 seconds over the 110 metres high hurdles in 1940, glumly said there was "absolutely no hope" that any of Pakistan's track and field competitors will even place, while the swimming team also will be extremely weak.

## THE TEAM

The Council of the Pakistan Olympic Association has selected the following athletes to represent the Dominion in the World Olympics: Zahoor Ahmad Khan and Lt. Colonel Nazam Mohammed—shot put and discus throw.

Mohammad Sharif Butt—100 and 200 metres.

Masabul Haq—110 metres hurdles.







# Threat To British And U.S. Airfields

## SOVIET HINT OF ACTION

### May Close Berlin Aerodromes

Berlin, May 20.—The Russians hinted for the second time today that they were considering closing the British and American airfields in Berlin and forcing the Western Allies to handle all air traffic between Berlin and the west from Russian operated airports.

The Soviet licensed ADN news agency reported that officials of the Russian Schoenefeld air field have decided that all western air traffic can be handled from their field situated south of Berlin's city boundaries inside the Russian zone.

Schoenefeld is equipped with all up-to-date means required for landing 60 to 70 planes daily, the ADN reported. The exclusive use of this airfield "would even increase air traffic security," the report said.

### PRESS CLAMOUR

Russian sponsored press in Berlin has long been clamouring for the closure of the British and American airports as a threat to air safety.

Yesterday the Berliner Zeitung reported that the Soviet Air Director, Major General Georgi Alexandrov is considering "strictly dividing" the Allied air traffic between Berlin and the west into military and civil traffic.

On this basis the military traffic must be decreased and handled only from the Russian Dalgow airport. Civil airlines would be confined exclusively to Adlershof and Schoenefeld airfields.

### U.S. BAN PETITION

The American Military Government today prohibited the circulation in their Berlin sector of a Soviet-inspired petition urging a united Germany.

The action marked the first attempt of the American or British Military Government to head off a petition in Western Germany. The Russian-sponsored Volkskongress hoped to collect signatures throughout Germany in the next two weeks.

Some 30,000 people attended the petition's kick-off ceremony today in Potsdam in the Russian Zone. The Communist Unity Party planned to circulate petitions through Germany's four zones, precluded by a heavy propaganda campaign.

The American ban on petitions said, "The circulating of petitions in connection with the Volkskongress and all other activities of the Congress have been forbidden in the United States sector of Berlin."

### PROTECTION PROMISED

"German citizens in the United States sector will be protected against molestation and intimidation by persons seeking signatures in the name of the Volkskongress."

The announcement reiterated its opinion of the petition. "Of course Berliners favour a united Germany. The Military Government at all levels has brought for three long years to light about a united Berlin and united Germany."

"However, neither the United States Military Government nor the majority of Germans want a Germany at the price of accepting the slavery of one-party rule and economic slavery to a foreign power," United Press.

## Currency Reform In Germany

London, May 20.—Arrangements for currency reform in the three Western Zones of Germany have now been completed except for a decision on one vital point at issue, it is learned.

The only question which remains to be decided among the zonal authorities in Western Germany is whether a currency reform is to be extended to the British, French and United States sectors of Berlin or whether it will be limited to the occupation zones.

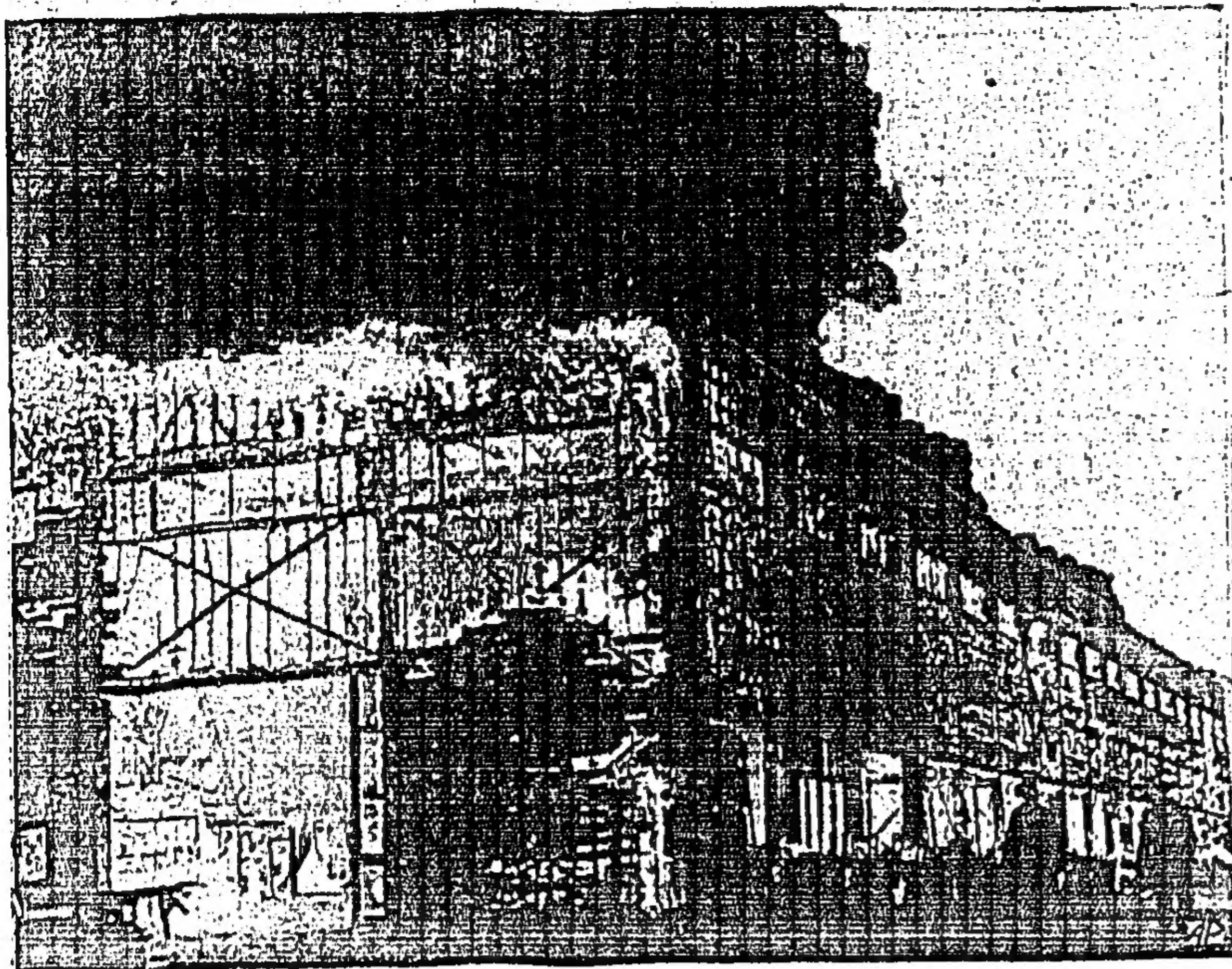
According to a usually reliable source, the plan for currency reform is unlikely to be put into effect before mid-summer, though it may be set in motion before the creation of a West German Constituent Assembly for the three zones, planned by the six-power London Conference on Germany for September 1.—Reuter.

## Socialisation Of Berlin Industry

Berlin, May 20.—Major-General E. O. Herbert, the British Commander in Berlin, today reiterated the British determination to carry out the socialisation of industry in Berlin.

Referring to a recent statement in the official Soviet newspaper in Berlin, Tagliche Rundschau, that he had demanded the removal of this question from the Allied Kommandatura agenda, General Herbert declared: "This statement is a direct falsehood as opposed to the many Soviet statements which are merely gross distortions of the truth."—Reuter.

## Lumber Yard Blaze



## DUTCH-INDONESIA PROBLEM

### Security Council Willing To Continue Good Offices

Batavia, May 20.—The Security Council's "good offices" committee is still willing to help in the solution of the Dutch-Indonesian problem, a spokesman said tonight after the current series of talks between representatives of both countries had ended today without agreement on any major issue.

The committee was considering submitting informal suggestions to the Dutch and the Indonesian Republics for a workable understanding, the spokesman said. The two main issues still unresolved were the proposed plebiscite for Indonesia's disputed areas and the question of a Netherlands-Indonesian Union.

### Argentine To Cut Imports

### Waiting For Some "Marshall" Dollars

Buenos Aires, May 20.—Imports from the United States, Switzerland, Portugal, Sweden, Uruguay and Brazil—all "difficult currency" areas—will cease, apart from essential items such as fuels, as a result of Argentina's suspension of exchange permits, according to well informed quarters here today.

The suspension of permits, it was believed, will remain in force until September, when "Marshall dollars" are expected to reach the Government's coffers.

The currencies affected by the new exchange control are United States dollars, Swedish crowns, Portuguese escudos, Uruguayan pesos and Brazilian cruzeros, press reports stated.

The newspaper La Prensa stated today that "family remittances" to "difficult" areas would be reduced from 500 to 100 per person but would continue at the former rate to "soft currency" areas such as Britain, France, Italy, Holland, Belgium and Spain.

The front page of President Peron's Democracia, considered to be the Government's mouth-piece, carried these headlines: "Argentina is not contemplating any loan abroad. The country is developing its economy with its own resources—the nation's financial situation flourishes."—Reuter.

## Army Is Not Strong Enough

Brussels, May 20.—The Belgian Army was not strong enough, to assure the nation's security, the Belgian Minister of Defence, Colonel Raoul de Fraiture, declared today.

It had to be "interpolated" in a wider international defence system, he told the joint Senate-Chamber Defence Commission.

The Minister pointed out that under the recent Belgian-Dutch military agreement, Belgium would give Holland arms and ammunition. She would get ships and aircraft in return.

The Brussels pact, the Minister said, represented "better progress" than the Belgian-Dutch agreement.

He outlined plans for the reorganisation of the Belgian Army, which included the establishment of military bases in the Congo. He revealed that the Belgian Army and Air Force's present strength is 4,000 officers, 10,500 non-commissioned officers and 57,400 men.—Reuter.

Flames, causing an estimated \$500,000 loss roars through Cilco Terminal Company lumber yard at Bridgeport, Conn. The fire, fanned by offshore winds from Long Island Sound, gave firemen a two-hour battle before they were able to bring it under control.—AP Picture.

## NEWSPRINT DIFFICULTY

### Britain Strives To Save Dollars

London, May 20.—A government spokesman said tonight that increased newsprint imports from Scandinavia may help Britain to save dollars through a corresponding cut in imports of newsprint from Canada and Newfoundland.

He said that Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, informed the Newsprint Supply Committee by letter that the "future is difficult to forecast but there might well be cuts in newsprint imports from Canada and Newfoundland."

The spokesman emphasised, however, that no decision on such discussion has been taken and the subject will be discussed at a conference between officials of the Board of Trade and representatives of the Newsprint Supply Company next Monday.

"There is no suggestion, however, that there will be cuts in the size of our four-page daily newspapers," the spokesman said.

The Scandinavian supply is opening up again, he said, permitting Britain to consider a reduction in imports from the dollar countries.

Sir Stafford's letter, he said, resulted from persistent queries from the Newsprint Supply Company for clarification of the newsprint situation.—United Press.

### Carrier Launching Test Succeeds

Washington, May 20.—The longest range aircraft in the world has been successfully launched from an American aircraft carrier.

The plane—the United States Navy's Neptune—was launched with jet-power assistance from the 45,000-ton carrier Coral Sea off the Virginian Capes last month, according to a Navy official.

This type of plane—a two-engine craft—set up a world distance record of 11,235 miles on a flight from Perth, Australia, to Columbus, Ohio, in 1946.—Reuter.

## AMERICANS FORCED OFF SHIP AT GUN-POINT

Haifa, May 20.—Gun-wielding Lebanese police forced 41 Americans and 28 other passengers off the American ship "Marino Carp" in Beirut harbour yesterday in a hunt for volunteer Jewish soldiers.

The ship's officers and the American Consulate clamped a blackout on the official news of the incident while an inquiry was held.

Crew members said that some of those who were shoved off the ship tried to fight back and the Lebanese police drew their guns to cow them.

They said that Lebanese police came aboard in the early afternoon after the ship had arrived to examine passports and personal luggage. They turned up two or three pistols.

The police then left and came back in greater numbers a few hours later. Moving through the entire ship, they ordered the passengers to open their baggage with- in "two or three minutes" and those who failed had their baggage smashed open with axes.

The police then used the ship's loudspeaker to summon all passengers. Young men whose passports showed their destination as Pal- estine were ordered to one side. This group was then ordered to collect their belongings and go ashore.

Crew members said that the police ignored the loud protests from Captain H. E. Snow of New York, and other officers.

The ship which entered Haifa harbour this morning became the centre of controversy. The Jewish authorities insisted it be allowed to proceed to Tel-Aviv without unloading, thus coming under the Jewish jurisdiction. Presumably the Arab passengers aboard who were bound for Alexandria would be taken off there in retaliation.

There were several hundred other passengers aboard for Palestine mostly older men, women, and children.

Several sources said that the baggage confiscated by the Lebanese were several shortwave transmitters and receivers.—United Press.

## "Security" Posts Purge Confirmed

### British Government's Decision

London, May 20.—The Government is sticking to its decision not to allow its employees in "security" posts, who are accused of being Communists or Fascists, to have the help of a trade union representative when appearing before the three advisers appointed to investigate appeals.

The procedure for such cases, officially disclosed tonight, lays down that a civil servant finally considered unreliable will be given work not connected with the security of the State.

If that is impossible, he will be dismissed, unless he accepts the option of resigning.

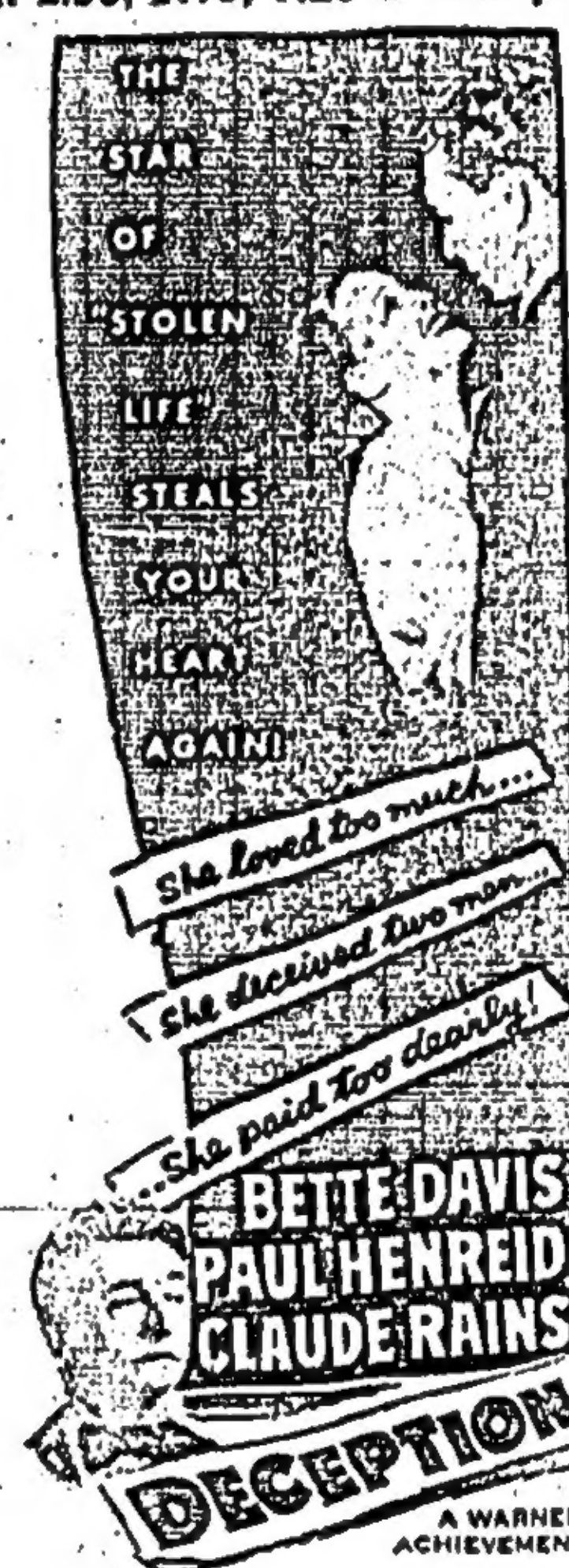
On receiving the advisers' report, the Minister of the Government department concerned will, if he decides to uphold his original decision, give the civil servant an opportunity of making representations to himself or his representative before action is finally taken.—Reuter.

### DC-6's Fast Flight

Manila, May 20.—The Philippine Air Line's luxurious new airline, Batuan, a DC-6, negotiated the long stretch between San Francisco and Manila in 20 hours and 25 minutes, thus cutting down by 11 hours the actual average flying time between the two points, it was announced by the company today.—Reuter.

## STAR

—SHOWING TO-DAY—  
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.20 & 9.30 p.m.



### NOTICE

THE MACAO ELECTRIC LIGHTING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Third Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Boardroom of Messrs Love, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Second Floor, Hongkong, on Wednesday the 20th day of May, 1948 at 11.00 a.m.

By Order of the Board of Directors

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Secretaries.

## PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post and Hong Kong Telegraph Staff Photographers are on view

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